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SUBJ: BURDENSARING; NATO BUDGETS, COST-SHARING FORMULAE

REF: (A) PARIS 4044, (B) USNATO 558

1. MISSION APPRECIATES INDICATION OF PROSPECTIVE FRENCH
FLEXIBILITY PRESAGED BY REF A.

2. APPROACH SUGGESTED REF A, I.E., VIEWING NATO BUDGET
SUBJECTS FROM PERSPECTIVE OF NEW CONDITIONS DEMANDING NEW
AND MORE EQUITABLE FORMULAE RATHER THAN ONE BASIS OF
"BURDENSARING", FITS IN WELL WITH RATIONALE SET FORTH PARA
4, REF B, WHEREIN REDUCTION IN US SHARE OF INFRASTRUCTURE
PROGRAM AND REDUCTION IN US SHARE OF CENTRAL EUROPE PIPE-
LINE SYSTEM DEFICIT WERE IDENTIFIED AS ACTIONS WHICH HAD INDEED
BEEN INITIATED PRIOR TO THE CURRENT BURDENSARING EXERCISE.

3. BASED ON INSIGHT INTO FRENCH POSITION PROVIDED BY REF A,
MISSION PROPOSES TO WORK TOWARDS FRENCH AGREEMENT UTILIZING
INDICATED RATIONALE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH DE STAERCKE OBSER-
VATION THAT RELIEF ALONG THESE LINES WOULD ONLY BE FAIR,
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CONSIDERING THE LARGE SHARE THE US HAS SHOULDERED IN THE PAST.
(SEE PARA 4, USNATO 104).

4. MISSION WILL ADDRESS PIPELINE ASPECTS IN GREATER DETAIL

SEPTEL WHEN REQUISITE DATA AVAILABLE. RUMSFELD

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